Examiners for Tamil Schools.

14. **MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI** (*Tovala*): (*a*) Are the Government aware of protest meetings of Tamilians regarding the appointment of persons without qualification in Tamil, as Chief and Assistant Examiners for the public examinations, such as Vernacular Middle School, Vernacular Trained Teachers' Certificate, and Vernacular Higher, Examinations?

(*b*) Who were those examiners for the last two years and what are their respective qualifications in Tamil?

(*c*) Do the Government propose to remove this defect?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) No.

(*b*) A statement* containing the information is laid on the table.

(*c*) The Government are not aware of any defect in the present arrangements.

Teachers trained in Hygiene.

15. **MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI** (*Tovala*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the year in which teachers from Vernacular schools were selected for training in hygiene, first aid, etc.;

(*b*) the centres to which such teachers were posted after their period of training;

(*c*) whether their pay was revised after being so trained;

(*d*) whether there was any recommendation from the Inspector of Vernacular Schools to raise their pay;

(*e*) whether the pay of teachers in Manual Training having the same general qualification was raised on the recommendation of the Inspector of Vernacular Schools;

(*f*) whether there is any reason for not raising the pay of teachers trained in hygiene and first aid;

(*g*) whether the teachers trained in hygiene are included in the staff of Vernacular Training Schools where they give lessons in hygiene;

(*h*) whether hygiene is made a subject of compulsory study in the curricula of Vernacular Trained Teachers' Certificate Examination, and if not, the object of giving such lessons in hygiene to training students;

(*i*) how these pupil-teachers make use of their training in hygiene;

(*j*) whether there is any public examination on the subject of hygiene in their classes; and

(*k*) whether these teachers trained in hygiene are eligible for promotion to the places of Headmasters in Vernacular Middle Schools?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The first batch in 1922 and the second batch in 1925.

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* *Vide* Appendix VII—page 24.

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(*b*) The centres to which such teachers were posted after the period of their training are :—

	First batch.		*Second batch.*
1.	Tiruvalla V. H. School	1.	Neyyattinkara V. M. School
2.	Attingal V. M. School	2.	Ayarkunnam Primary School
3.	Kottayam Do.	3.	Ranni V. M. School
4.	Kottarakara Do.	4.	Porakkad New Primary School
5.	Mavelikara Do.	5.	Ettumanur V. M. School
6.	Neyyattinkara Do.	6.	Kolani Primary School
7.	Nagercoil V. H. School	7.	Ambalapuzha V. M. School
8.	Quilon Cantonment Primary School	8	Kozhenchery Do.
9.	Changanachery V. M. School	9.	Lokattur Primary School
10.	Ettumānur Do.	10.	Changanachery V. M. School

(*c*) No.

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) The pay of the Manual Training teachers in the Vernacular Training Schools was raised and fixed at Rs. 20-2/3-30, with effect from 1-1-1100 and the allowances they had been receiving for their special work as Manual Training teachers were stopped from that date. The pay of the Manual Training teachers in the Vernacular Schools was not raised ; but they are given a local allowance of Rs. 3 if their pay is below Rs. 18 and of Rs. 5 if the pay is Rs. 18 or above.

(*f*) The teachers of hygiene have had special training for two months only while the special course of Manual Training teachers lasted for one year or more. Unlike the Manual Training teachers who are debarred from certain promotions in the Department on account of the nature of their special qualifications, the hygiene teachers will get promotions within their scope and they can even become Headmasters of Vernacular Middle Schools with a pay of Rs. 35 or Rs. 40 per mensem.

(*g*) No. The hygiene teachers are included in the staff of the Vernacular Middle or Vernacular High Schools to which Vernacular Training Schools are attached.

(*h*) The answer to the first part of the question is in the negative. The object of giving lessons in hygiene to training students is that the subject may be gradually introduced as a compulsory subject in all the Vernacular Schools of the State.

(*i*) They can make use of their training in hygiene in teaching their classes, especially after the subject is made compulsory.

(*j*) Hygiene is an optional subject for the Vernacular School Leaving Examination.

(*k*) Yes.

Road from Chunkankada to the Villukiri-Vempannur Road.

16. **MR. T. KUMARA PILLAI** (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavankod*) : (*a*) Are the Government aware that the ryots of the Alur *pakuthi* have been petitioning the Government for the construction of a road to Chunkankada *via* Aikkani *ela* from the 2nd mile-stone in the Villikiri-Vempannur road passing through Alur village in Alur *pakuthi* ?

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